The area shown for Mokka Channel under Column 4 and the area shown in Chaganur under Column 5 of the statement represent the average areas irrigated during 1953-54 to 1955-56 and during 1962-63 to 1963-64 respectively, since these two channels are receiving water temporarily from the Tungabhadra Low Level Canal beyond that period.

During the years 1959-1962, there were representations that there was shortage of water in the Hagari Channels and on request the Andhra Pradesh Government released certain waters on an *adhoc* basis. Subsequently this matter was taken up again with Andhra Pradesh and they have not accepted that the shortage of water is due to the construction B.T. Project. The matter is under examination.

Regarding the contemplated diversion it is reported by the Government of Andhra Pradesh that the improvements proposed to the Gundlapalli Causeway are only for maintaining the present position of drawing of supplies for the Kanekkal tank from Hagari river and do not involve any extra diversion of waters from Hagari river and that these were necessitated because the Tungabhadra Project High Level Canal was taken through the Kanekal tank.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ತಾವು ಹೇಳಿದ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಚಿಗನೂರು ಮತ್ತು ಮೋಕಾ ಸ್ಪ್ರಿಂಗ್ ಚ್ಯಾನಲಿನಿಂದ ಮೈಸೂರು ರಾಜ್ಯದಲ್ಲಿ ನೀರು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಳ್ಳುವುದು ಸರಿ. ಆದರೆ ಈ ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಎರಡು ಬೆಳೆ ಬೆಳೆಯುತ್ತಿದೆ ಎಂದು ತಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎನ್. ನಂಜೇಗೌಡ.—ಅದನ್ನು ಯಾವ ರೀತಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಲೊಕಲೈಸ್ ಮಾಡಿದ್ದಾರೆ ಎಂಬುದರ ವಿವರ ನನ್ನ ಹತ್ತಿರ ಇಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ನಮ್ಮ ಸರ್ಕಾರದವರು ಅಲ್ಲಿಗೆ ಮೂವರು ಎಕ್ಸಿಕ್ಯೂಟಿವ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರು ಗಳನ್ನು ಕಳಿಸಿ, ಅವರು ಸರ್ಕಾರಕ್ಕೆ ರಿಪೋರ್ಟು ಸಹ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆಂಬುದು ತಮಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿದೆಯೇ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎನ್. ನಂಜೇಗೌಡ.—ಅದರ ವಿವರ ನನ್ನಲ್ಲಿ ಇಲ್ಲ.

ಶ್ರೀ ಬಿ. ಇ. ರಾಮಯ್ಯ.—ಆ ಮೂವರು ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್ಸ್ ರೂಪನಗುಡಿ, ಅಸುಂಡಿ, ಕುಂಟನಹಾಳ್ ಮತ್ತು ಚಾಗನೂರು—ಈ ನಾಲ್ಕು ಪ್ರದೇಶದ ರೈತರಿಗೆ ಬಹಳ ಅನ್ಯಾಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ ಎಂದು ತಮ್ಮ ವರದಿಯಲ್ಲಿ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಆದರ ಮೇಲೆ ಏನು ಕಾರ್ಯಕ್ರಮ ತಾವು ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡಿದ್ದೀರಿ ?

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಚ್. ಎನ್. ನಂಜೇಗೌಡ.—1971ರಿಂದ ನಾವು ಅವರಿಗೆ ಬರೆಯುತ್ತಿದ್ದೇವೆ. To supplement this, this should not be done. ಎಂದು ನಾವು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಅವರು ಇಲ್ಲವೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದಾರೆ. ಕೊನೆಗೆ ನಮ್ಮ ಚೀಫ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರಿಗೆ ಇದರ ವಾಸ್ತವಿಕತೆಯನ್ನು ತಿಳಿದು ವರದಿ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಹೇಳಿದ್ದೇವೆ. ಉಳಿದ ಸಮಗ್ರವಾದ ವಿಚಾರ ಟ್ರಿಬ್ಯುನಲ್ ಮುಂದೆ ಹೋಗುವುದರಿಂದ ತಾವು ಕೇಳತಕ್ಕದ್ದಕ್ಕೆ ವಿವರ ಕೊಡಲು ನನ್ನ ಹತ್ತಿರ ಇಲ್ಲ. ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ವಾಸ್ತವಿಕ ವಿಚಾರವನು ಚೀಫ್ ಇಂಜಿನಿಯರ್ ತಿಳಿದು ವರದಿ ಕೊಡುತ್ತಾರೆ.

(iv) *Re*: ALLEGED ASSAULT BY THE HEAD CONSTABLE AND OTHERS ON THE WOMEN WHO MIGRATED TO HALIKED-B VILLAGE.

Sri V. N. PATIL.—(Homnabad).—I call the attention of the Hon. Chief Minister to the criminal assault committed by the Head Constable and others on women who migrated to Halikhed-B Village.

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS (Chief Minister).—Sir, I make the following Statement.

It is reported that on 12th May 1973 at about 24.00 hours, (midnight) Head Constable Sharanappa of Hallikhed Out Post under Humnabad Police Station, accompanied by 4 other residents of Hallikhed went in a state of intoxication to the hut of one Hussainappa of Ningadally village of Chincholi Taluk who had come to Hallikhed to work in Karanj Project. Without any provocation, the Head Constable started kicking Hussainappa and his son Chandreswar who were sleeping outside the hut.

Hussainappa's daughters, Rathnamma and Nagamma, his niece Sharnamma and his wife Devamma were sleeping inside the hut. Hearing the commotion caused by the Head Constable, Rathnamma woke up. In the meanwhile, Sharnappa entered the hut and there was an exchange of words between Rathnamma who questioned the properiety of the Head Constable entering the hut of law-abiding citizens. Soon after, all of them came out of the hut.

Head Constable Shanrappa directed Rathnamma and Sharnamma to leave their babies behind and accompany him to the Out Post. He also directed the other ladies to accompany him.

When the ladies refused to do so, they were physically dragged in the direction opposite to the one in which the out post is situated. One of the associates of the Head Constable, however, took Hussainappa and his son towards the Out Post. Another one took Devamma in a different direction.

A neighbour, Smt. Nijamma who had witnessed the incident enlisted the assistance of one Yahya Khan and followed the Head Constable. Yaha Khan and a petty-shop keeper Bharath rescued the women.

On 13th May 1973 the Police Sub-Insepctor, Humnabad who had gone to Hallikhed for investigation received a report of this incident from Rathnamma. The Police Sub-Inspector therefore registered a case under sections 354, 511 read with 376 I.P.C. against the Head Constable and four others. The Deputy Superintendent of Police, Bhalki has taken up further investigation. The Head Constable and Sadakshari one of the other accused have been arrested. The remaining three accused are absconding. The Head Constable has been suspended.

Investigation is in progress.

Sri V. N. PATIL.—Sir, while going through the statement, I find that, to a certain extent, most of the facts have been narrated in the statement but two things are missing. One is what is the condition of Smt. Sharanamma's eight month old child, who was snatched away and thrown ? The condition of the child is reported to be very serious, and I am apprehensive whether the child is still alive. Who are the other three absconding accused and what is their status in life and modus operandi ? On account of famine situation, people from different parts are migrating to the project area and there is repetition of such occurrences there. Incidentally, one such incident was noticed. Preventive steps should be taken and exemplary punishment should be given to the accused. Some responsible officers of Humnabad are white-washing and pushing down all the heinous crimes committed by the Head Constable. This is the first time that he has been dealt with.

Sri D. DEVARAJ URS.—I must state that I had no knowledge previously of what was going on there. Now, I am glad the hon. Member concerned has given me the information. As soon as information was given to me—I think he knows that—, I got the whole-thing immediately investigated. I think this Head Constable had committed such offences previously also and was going scot-free. It is obvious that for the first time he has been caught and arrested. Had it not been for our vigilance, perheps, he could have escaped this time as well. As I have been stating in this House, whoever the officer is, the moment Government comes to know that he is at fault, immediate action would be taken. That is the promise I have made and accordingly, Government has acted. If there is evidence that higher officers are also directly or indirectly involved, let me assure the House that Government will not hesitate to take action on them as well.

Sri M. S. KRISHNAN.—What about the absconding persons ? Who are they ?

SRI D. DEVARAJ URS.—They are from Hallikhed. One of them has been arrested and the other three are absconding. They are beeing searched. Those fellows, have, I think, gone on like this from several years. Had they been properly dealt with from the beginning, perhaps, such recurrences would not have been there. Now, we are trying to take action. We will do our best.

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Re : *Appointments made in the National Institute of Management.*

Sri C. M. ARUMUGHAM (K.G.F.).—Madam Speaker, I have got to make a representation. Madam, just now, the Government of Mysore in sanctioning 25 lakhs of rupees to the National Institute of Management. For this Institute of Management, Mr. T. A. Pai is the Chairman and Mr. G. V. K. Rao is the Managing Director .....